

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Sponsorship Review Procedures for Approval for Unaccompanied Alien Children.

OMB No.: 0970-0278.

Description: The Administration for Children (ACF), Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) requests the continuation of an existing information collection under OMB control number 0970-0278, Reunification Procedures for Unaccompanied Alien Children, renamed to Sponsorship Review Procedures for Approval of Unaccompanied Alien Children. The information collection allows ACF to conduct suitability assessments to vet potential sponsors of unaccompanied alien children in accordance with a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between ORR and the Department of Homeland Security. Specifically, the information collection allows ORR to obtain biometric and biographical information from sponsors, adult members of their household, and adult care givers identified in a sponsor care plan, where applicable. ORR in turn shares the information collected with other federal departments to conduct background checks. The existing OMB approval for these instruments expires October 31, 2018.

Respondents: Sponsors, adult household members, parents or legal guardians of unaccompanied alien children.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of	Number of	Average Burden	Total Burden
	Respondents	Responses per	Hours per	Hours
		Respondent	Response	
Family	50,000	1	0.75	37,500
Reunification				
Application				
Authorization for	90,000	1	0.5	45,000
Release of				
Information				
Fingerprint	90,000	1	1.25	112,500
Instructions				
Letter of	25,000	1	0.5	12,500
Designation				

Estimated Total Annual Burden per Respondent:

207,500

Additional Information:

Copies of the existing collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20201. Attention Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

ACF first sought comments on this revised collection of information on May 11, 2018 (83 FR 22490) and again on August 24, 2018 (83 FR 42895). The more recent request for comment erroneously described the request as one for emergency processing and immediate approval. This notice corrects that error to clarify that ACF is seeking public comments on the proposed information collection, including aspects previously approved under emergency processing, prior to its renewal.

OMB Comment:

OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following:

Office of Management and Budget

Paperwork Reduction Project

Email: OIRA_SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV

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